



Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Sherren are photographed above near the bride's home at Clyde River following their recent marriage at the manse of Trinity United Church, Charlottetown. From left to right are Mr. James Sherren (groomsman), Mr. and Mrs. Sherren, and Miss Velma MacKinnon of Clyde River, who was her sister's bridesmaid.

**DOROTHY DIX'S COLUMN—**

**Divided Family Loyalty**

**Efficient Stepmother Wrong In Denying Children Visits With Mother**

DEAR MISS DIX: I have a father, mother, stepmother and stepfather. When my father divorced mother, it was understood that mother could see us any time she wished, which she did. My father remarried when I was 11. Soon after, my stepmother put a stop to our writing or seeing our mother. Mother didn't want to cause trouble so she told us to obey our stepmother, advising us to wait until we were older and could decide for ourselves what we wanted to do. This separation went on until I married. Then I went to see my mother. When my stepmother found out, she turned her back on me. Now father has to sneak out to see us and his grandchildren, or I visit him at his office. I still have a great deal of respect for my stepmother since she did a fine job of bringing us up. I see my mother only once a year, but correspond with her to let her know how we're getting on.



Marjell Nissen

**SECOND WIFE'S LOT**

ANSWER: It's a pity that your stepmother did not extend her excellent job of rearing you to the point where she accepted the fact that you were, after all, the offspring of another woman. Since there is no possibility of your own mother interfering in your household or in your relationship with your father and his wife, your stepmother's attitude is, to say the least, intolerant. Perhaps time and prayer will change her.

Of course, there's a side to her story, too. Bringing up children whose mother is still living is no easy job, and is almost always accompanied by jealousy—conscious or otherwise—of the husband's first wife. Resentment of a first marriage that ended in divorce is part and parcel of the second wife's lot. Obviously she should fight it, since she was aware that her marriage would be fraught with complications. However, human nature seldom exceeds the laws of common sense, subsequently difficulties mount instead of decreasing.

At the present time, your father's devotion to his grandchildren may be an added factor in your stepmother's stubborn refusal to welcome you. Patience on your part is the only road to follow; your father's attitude of quiet acceptance may win the course in the long run.

DEAR MISS DIX: For several months I have been dating a boy from another town and have grown to like him a lot. Recently, he asked me to go steady, but—at a price. For that reason I have quit dating him. Am I right?

**BELINDA**

ANSWER: The price the boy exacts for the pleasure of his company is indeed too high. You may be absolutely sure that when a boy takes this stand, he's interested in the girl only for purely selfish reasons. Forget this one. A more honorably intentioned young man will come along who will really like you and respect you. Just be patient.

Miss Nissen cannot reply personally to readers but will answer problems of interest through this column.

**How Can I!!!**

By Anne Ashley

Q. How can I clean the vertical tube of a coffee percolator?

A. Try rubbing a pipe cleaner through it. Or, fill the percolator with water, add four tablespoons of salt, put the tube in and let it perk for 10 or 15 minutes. If this dulls the luster of the percolator, restore it by boiling vinegar in it, or water with pieces of raw lemon.

Q. How can I clean stained teapots?

A. When teapots are stained by coffee or tea, wet them with vinegar, dip a damp cloth in salt, and rub the stains away.

Q. What can I do about a bread-box that is rusty inside?

A. Clean it by rubbing gently with emery cloth. To keep it clean, use a coating of lard.

**Household Scrapbook**

By Roberta Lee

**Lace Veils**

To wash lace veils, squeeze gently in tepid suds of white soap. Rinse and stiffen in a pint of water in which two teaspoonfuls of powdered gum arabic have been dissolved. Stretch and pin into shape, and let dry.

**Water Bugs**

Water bugs can often be exterminated by pouring a cupful of kerosene into the sink and cellar drains once a week and waiting a half hour before letting any flush run down the pipe. Then flush with boiling water.

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**Women's realm**

**That Body Of Yours**

By James W. Barton, M.D.

**EMPLOYMENT OF THE OLDER WORKER**

It is only natural in these days when so many workers can look forward to the day when they can retire on pension that they should do much thinking or dreaming of the days of their retirement.

While most of us will agree that the idea of retirement is excellent, there are naturally many older men and women who can do their work as well as when they were younger. The added experience that comes with age enables them to turn out perhaps better work than when younger. The thought then is that while the general idea of retiring at a certain age in certain industries is good, it is hardly fair to a large number who are not old physically, mentally and emotionally.

In "Public Health Reports," Washington, D.C., Dr. T. G. Klumpp states that society has been quite illogical and inconsistent in its attitude toward the older worker. On the one hand, we have not objected to electing or appointing older persons to positions of great responsibility whereas on the other hand, we maintain unselective compulsory rules for the rank and file of workers; they must retire at a certain age irrespective of their condition mentally, physically and emotionally.

From an economic point of view it would be sound policy to permit older persons to work as long as they desire to work and are productive. Since a country's national wealth, purchasing power and standard of living depend on productivity, our economic situation is strongest when we have the largest number of active producer-consumers. The unemployed contribute nothing to the economy and place a burden on active workers who must support them either by direct contribution or taxes.

Generally speaking, the majority of men and women would sooner work than be idle. This was shown when, during the giving of the dole in Great Britain, most workers would sooner work a whole week for 30 shillings than remain idle and receive 25 shillings on the dole. This meant working a whole week for five shillings.

The suggestion is that methods must be devised of determining which persons are capable of working at 65 or 70 years of age. "A man is not fit one day and unfit the next because a page of the calendar has turned." A social rule that drops from work the fit with the unfit, which destroys the good with the bad, or which punishes the innocent with the wicked, is not a good rule.

Selective ability, not age, should guide employers. A person of any age is better physically, mentally and emotionally as long as he produces something useful and mixes with fellow workers, sharing their sorrows and griefs. He knows and feels that he is an asset, but not a liability, to his community.

**Cook's Corner**



**CORN CHOWDER**

(Supper Dish)

- 3 cups diced potatoes
- 1 cup diced carrots
- 3 tablespoons onion
- 2 tablespoons diced pork or bacon
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Pepper
- 1 quart milk
- 2 cups creamed corn
- Bake in hot oven about 1/2 hour.

Mrs. Wm. Ferrish, St. Eleanors W. I.

**The Stars Say --**

By Genevieve Kemble

**For Tomorrow**

BE cautious about accepting new responsibilities this day, since they may entail more time and effort than you anticipate. Take time out to analyze existing situations and devise efficient methods of clearing them up before taking on new duties. If your program seems temporarily stymied, seek competent advice.

The evening hours give indication of unusual adventures or surprise occurrences; the possibility of exciting news from afar. The later vibrations also favor courtship, romance, travel.

**For the Birthday**  
If tomorrow is your birthday, the year ahead should yield many surprises, especially in business and professional matters. The efforts you have put forth during the past months should culminate successfully by early fall, at which time you should feel free to plan a long journey. During this same period your

**ELLEN'S DIARY**

By An Island Farmer's Wife

Quiet wistful blossoms of Golden-rod about the yard, reflecting richly the mellow sun of the season, point to us of summer's passing; the "Scarlet Lightning" (Lych-nis) speaks of it too... It that was carried to this garden by Karo-lyn from an old one, haunted, re-enriched by days that were long gone. It's gay red blooms claimed for a moment the attention of a visiting humming-bird today before it went on to taste the sweets of Jamie's Scarlet Runner beans.

These adorn prettily a wall and have climbed to look in on the scenes in the sun-porch: the farmers and carpenters enjoying the shade and coolness there in the moon rest-hour; lads busy with their homework of school or maybe with the cares of day over, watching the twilight shadows dim the rich shades of the afterglow while as we chat quietly night pins a first star in the blue above a hill. "It won't be long now before we'll be into the harvest," we overheard one of our farmers say today, "these moonlit nights will ripen it quite as much as the sunny days." However, with the end of haying which came last evening when several loads of hay were bought and brought in, James was off early this morning to assist the younger farmer in making some needed repairs to a building or more at Alderlea.

This time floors of concrete are being spread in the and that building about first, in the feed-house, that place which houses the supply of "store-feed," that maintains the creatures of piggery: the playful weanlings, now in a number beyond Mack's counting, the Mommas, and those growing steadily toward "the weight." Such places seem to be neces-

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personality development should have reached a new high, with a resultant increase in popularity and prestige. Make the most of opportunities offered during the last months of 1953 for, if you do, the rewards will extend well into the coming year. Guard finances, however, and do not indulge in needless expenditures.

A child born on this day will be serene, self-reliant and endowed with leadership qualities.

**Morning Smile**

A Californian went out to follow a grizzly bear and was gone three days. Then he turned up without his game. One of his cronies said one of his cronies.



*Try this delicious*  
**JELLIED SALMON**

To 2 cups of flaked Clover Leaf salmon add juice of 1 lemon, 1/2 tsp. of salt, dash of red pepper, 1 or 2 sliced hard cooked eggs and 2 tbsp. of green peas. Dissolve 1 tbsp. of gelatin to make 1 pint of liquid (use water—1/4 cup of cold to soak it in and the remainder hot.) Pour over first mixture in small or large moulds. Chill and serve on lettuce. Serves 6. A gelatin mixture, flavoured with lemon, plus 2 tbsp. of vinegar and salt to season, may be used instead of plain gelatin.



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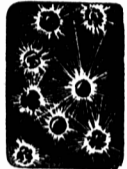
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